

California Regional Water Quality Control Board  
North Coast Region

ORDER NO. R1-2004-0029

RECISION OF  
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS ORDER NO. 88-16  
AND  
MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM NO. 88-16  
FOR

SCHMIDBAUER LUMBER, INCORPORATED  
EUREKA SAWMILL  
EUREKA, CALIFORNIA

Humboldt County

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, North Coast Region (hereinafter, Regional Water Board), finds that

1. Schmidbauer Lumber, Incorporated (hereinafter referred to as the discharger) operates a lumbermill and sales office on a 24-acre parcel on the west side of the City of Eureka at the foot of Clark Street. The property is further described as Humboldt County Assessors Parcel No. 3-072-04 and is within Section 21, T5N, R1W, Humboldt Base and Meridian.
2. On February 25, 1988 the Regional Water Board adopted Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 88-16 for the discharger. Order No. 88-16 was issued to regulate the discharge of 1) treated effluent consisting of boiler wastewaters, including blowdown and spent softener regeneration brines, to a subsurface leachfield on the southern portion of the property; 2) stormwater runoff to Humboldt Bay; and 3) non-contact air compressor cooling water to Humboldt Bay via the storm drain system.
3. The discharger ceased discharges to the septic system in 1991 and since then the boiler wastewaters have been discharged to the City of Eureka municipal sewer system. All stormwater runoff and non-contact cooling waters are discharged to the City of Eureka storm drain system under requirements of State Water Resources Control Board Water Quality Order No. 97-03-DWQ. Therefore, Order No. 88-16 and the associated Monitoring and Reporting Program No. 88-16 are no longer necessary.
4. Regional Water Board action to rescind Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 88-16 and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. 88-16 is exempt from provision of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq.) in accordance with Title 14, California Code of Regulation, Section 15061(b)(3).
5. The Regional Water Board notified the public of its intent to rescind existing waste discharge requirements and has provided an opportunity for comment.

6. The Regional Water Board, in a public hearing, heard and considered all comments pertaining to this matter.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 88-16 and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. 88-16 for Schmidbauer Lumber, Incorporated, Eureka Sawmill located in Eureka, California, are rescinded.

Certification

I, Catherine E. Kuhlman, Executive Officer,  
do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full,  
true, and correct copy of an Order adopted  
by the California Regional Water Quality  
Control Board, North Coast Region on  
June 23, 2004.

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Catherine E. Kuhlman  
Executive Officer

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